

DOACs: La sicurezza del paziente anche nella gestione delle urgenze in PS, tra evidenze scientifiche e mondo reale

- La sicurezza del paziente nel Peri-procedurale

Each year, $\approx 10\%$ of patients on any long-term oral anticoagulation require surgery or other invasive procedures

The limited data available pertaining to patients on NOAC therapy who require surgery suggest that the perioperative bleeding risk is low for nonurgent surgery.

The Dresden NOAC registry prospectively evaluated 2179 patients taking NOACs, of which 595 patients (27.3%) underwent 863 invasive procedures; most were not urgent.

Beyer-Westendorf J, et al Peri-interventional management of novel oral anticoagulants in daily care: results from the prospective Dresden NOAC registry. Eur Heart J. 2014;35:1888–1896

Of the entire cohort, only 46 patients (5.3%) experienced any bleeding complication up to 30 ± 5 days after the procedure. Major bleeding occurred in 10 of 863 (1.2%) procedures.

Clinically relevant nonmajor bleeding occurred in 29 patients (3.4%) and minor bleeding occurred in only 7 patients (0.8%).



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Table 1 | Classification of elective surgical interventions according to bleeding risk

Interventions not necessarily requiring discontinuation of anticoagulation

Dental interventions

Extraction of one to three teeth

Paradental surgery

Incision of abscess

Implant positioning

Ophthalmology

Cataract or glaucoma intervention

Endoscopy without surgery

Superficial surgery (e.g. abscess incision, small dermatologic excisions, etc.)

Interventions with minor bleeding risk (i.e. infrequent or with low clinical impact)

Endoscopy with biopsy

Prostate or bladder biopsy

Electrophysiological study or catheter ablation for right-sided supraventricular tachycardia

Non-coronary angiography (for coronary angiography and ACS: see 'Patient with atrial fibrillation and coronary artery disease' section)

Pacemaker or ICD implantation (unless complex anatomical setting, e.g. congenital heart disease)

Interventions with major bleeding risk (i.e. frequent and/or with high impact)

Catheter ablation of simple left-sided supraventricular tachycardia (e.g. WPW)

Spinal or epidural anaesthesia; lumbar diagnostic puncture

Thoracic surgery

Abdominal surgery

Major orthopaedic surgery

Liver biopsy

Transurethral prostate resection

Kidney biopsy

Extracorporeal shockwave lithotripsy (ESWL)

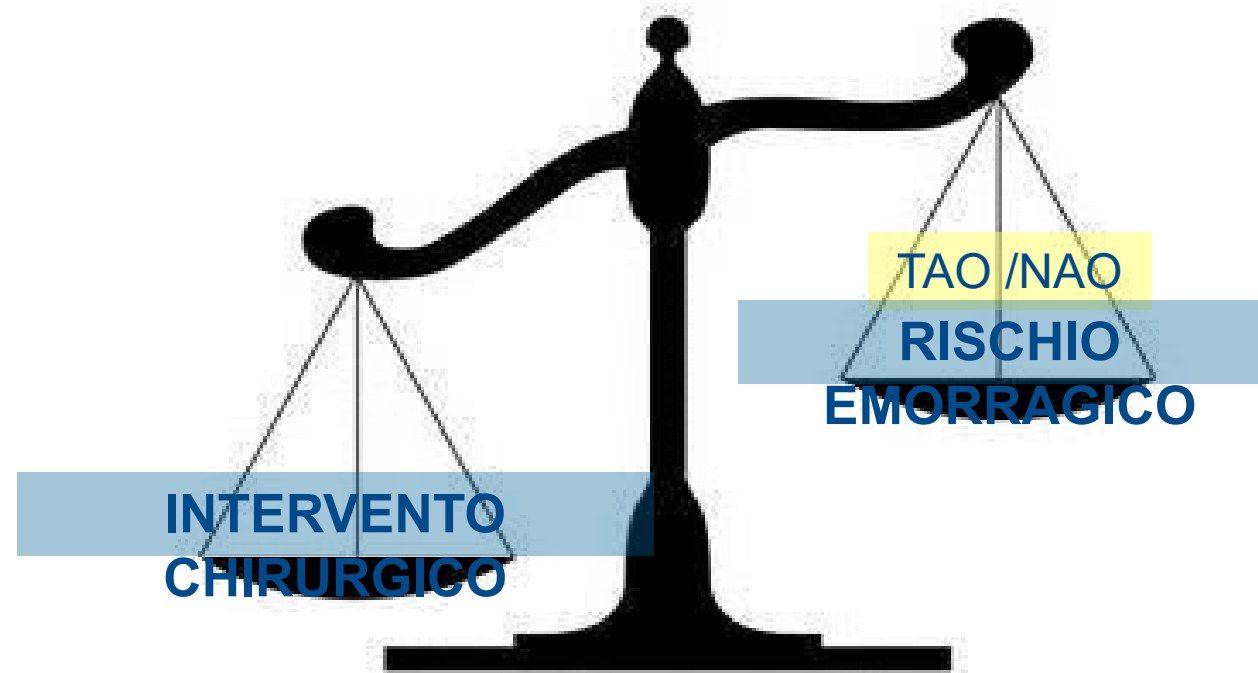
Interventions with major bleeding risk AND increased thrombo-embolic risk^a

Complex left-sided ablation (PVI; some VT ablations)

PATIENTS UNDERGOING A PLANNED SURGICAL INTERVENTION OR ABLATION

Manovre Invasive/Interventi Chirurgici

| Interventi a basso rischio emorragico | Interventi a moderato rischio emorragico | Interventi ad elevato rischio emorragico |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Estrazioni dentali• Incisioni di ascessi• Cataratta/glaucoma• Endoscopie senza chirurgia• Chirurgia superficiale (dermatologica) | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Endoscopia con biopsia• Studio elettrofisiologico/ablazione• Angiografia• Impianto di pacemaker | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Interventi con anestesia spinale o epidurale• Chirurgia toracica• Chirurgia addominale• Chirurgia ortopedica maggiore• Biopsia del fegato/reni• Resezione della prostata |



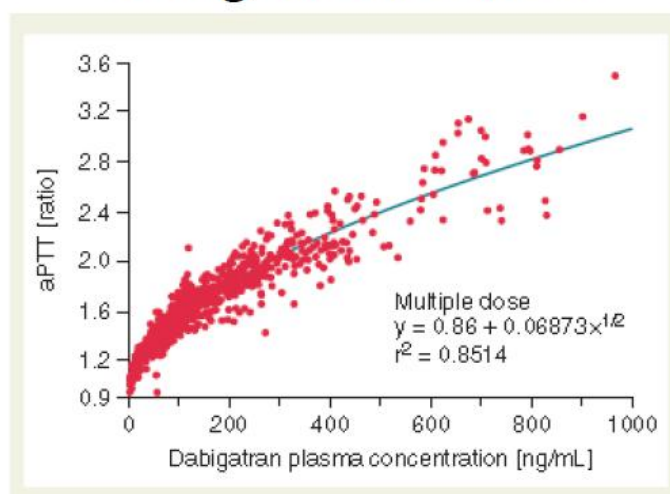
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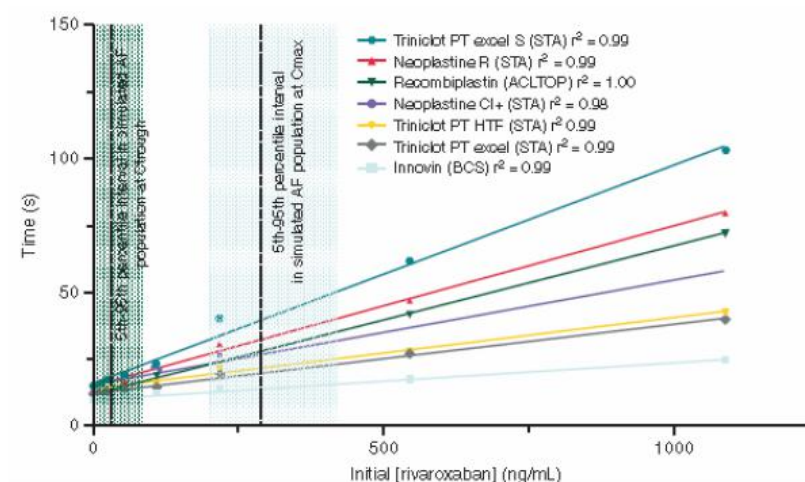
| | Dabigatran | Rivaroxaban | Apixaban | Edoxaban |
|-------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|
| Therapeutic measurement | Routine not required | Routine not required | Routine not required | Routine not required |
| | To detect presence: aPTT, ECT (if available), TT | To detect presence: PT, aPTT, antifactor Xa activity | To detect presence: PT, aPTT, antifactor Xa activity | Prolongs PT, aPTT, antifactor Xa activity |
| | aPTT >2.5 times control may indicate overanticoagulation | Renal function, CBC periodically, at least annually; hepatic function | Renal function, CBC periodically, at least annually | Renal function, CBC periodically, at least annually |
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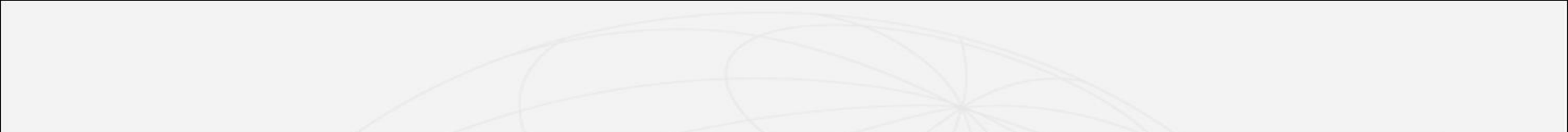
AC indicates anticoagulant; AF, atrial fibrillation; aPTT, activated partial thromboplastin time; BID, twice daily; CBC, complete blood count; CrCl, creatinine clearance; DVT, deep vein thrombosis; ECT, ecarin clotting time; IV, intravenous; NOACs, non-vitamin K antagonist oral anticoagulants; PE, pulmonary embolism; P-gp, P-glycoprotein; PT, prothrombin time; and TT, thrombin time.

Dabigatran e aPTT



Rivaroxaban e PT



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- Unlike the PT/INR for warfarin, routine coagulation tests have not been validated for ensuring that dabigatran effect has resolved.
 - A normal or near-normal aPTT may be used in selected patients to evaluate whether dabigatran has been adequately cleared from the circulation prior to surgery (eg, patients at high risk of surgical bleeding)
 - Importantly, the reliability of aPTT testing may depend on the specific assay used; if available, a diluted plasma thrombin time may be preferable

RE-LY® Peri-procedural outcomes subgroup analysis

- Compared with warfarin, both doses of dabigatran associated with similar rates of:
 - Peri-procedural* bleeding (including major and fatal bleeding)
 - Thrombotic complications
- Trend towards a lower rate of major bleeding in patients who underwent urgent surgery
- For patients who underwent procedure within 48 hours of stopping anticoagulation:
 - Dabigatran significantly reduced bleeding risk vs warfarin
- Bridging therapy is not recommended during NOAC therapy interruption for patients undergoing surgery. The dabigatran RE-LY study demonstrated an increased risk for major bleeding with bridging therapy

*Peri-procedural period defined as 7 days before to day 30 post-procedure
Healey JS et al. Circulation 2012;126:343–8

Peri-procedural outcomes subgroup analysis: background

- Aim:
 - To assess outcomes in patients undergoing surgery/invasive procedure during RE-LY®
- Approach:
 - Bleeding and thromboembolic events assessed
 - Primary analysis limited to the first surgery/procedure per patient
 - Peri-procedural period: 7 days before to day 30 post-procedure
- 4591 patients included in the subanalysis
 - Even distribution of patients and surgery types across treatment arms
 - Common surgeries/procedures included dental, pacemaker/ICD, cataract removal (all ~10%)

ICD = implantable cardioverter defibrillator
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Peri-procedural outcomes subgroup analysis: anticoagulation management

- Warfarin managed according to local practice
- Dabigatran withheld prior to procedure:
 - Dec 2005 – Aug 2008: 24 hours for all patients
 - Aug 2008 – Mar 2009: 2–5 days (based on CrCl) for high-risk procedures
- Dabigatran restarted post-procedure after achieving adequate haemostasis
- Time from last anticoagulant dose to procedure:
 - Dabigatran: 49 (35–85) hours
 - Warfarin: 114 (87–144) hours
- Peri-procedural bridging with heparin used in 15.3% (D110), 17.0% (D150), and 28.5% (warfarin) of patients ($P < 0.001$)

CrCl = creatinine clearance; D110 = dabigatran 110 mg twice daily; D150 = dabigatran 150 mg twice daily
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Peri-procedural outcomes subgroup analysis: bleeding outcomes

No significant difference in risk of bleeding for either dose vs warfarin

| | % patients | | | D110 vs warfarin | | D150 vs warfarin | |
|-----------------|----------------|----------------|--------------------|---------------------|------------|---------------------|------------|
| | D110 n=1487 | D150 n=1546 | Warfarin n=1558 | RR (95% CI) | P value | RR (95% CI) | P value |
| Major bleeding | 3.8 | 5.1 | 4.6 | 0.83 (0.59–1.17) | 0.28 | 1.09 (0.80–1.49) | 0.58 |
| Fatal bleeding | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 1.57 (0.26–9.39) | 0.62 | 1.01 (0.14–7.15) | 0.99 |
| Re-operation | 0.6 | 1.4 | 1.0 | 0.59 (0.26–1.33) | 0.20 | 1.39 (0.73–2.63) | 0.32 |
| RBC transfusion | 3.3 | 3.5 | 4.0 | 0.81 (0.56–1.18) | 0.27 | 0.86 (0.60–1.23) | 0.42 |
| Minor bleeding | 8.1 | 9.0 | 7.8 | 1.03 (0.81–1.31) | 0.81 | 1.15 (0.91–1.45) | 0.24 |

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RBC = red blood cell; RR = relative risk
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Peri-procedural outcomes subgroup analysis: thromboembolic events

Low incidence of thromboembolic events across all treatment groups

| | % patients | | | D110 vs warfarin | | D150 vs warfarin | |
|------------------------|----------------|----------------|--------------------|---------------------|------------|---------------------|------------|
| | D110 n=1487 | D150 n=1546 | Warfarin n=1558 | RR (95% CI) | P value | RR (95% CI) | P value |
| Ischaemic stroke or SE | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 1.05 (0.55–2.01) | 0.89 | 1.01 (0.35–2.87) | 0.99 |
| Stroke (all cause) | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 0.73 (0.28–1.92) | 0.53 | 0.71 (0.27–1.85) | 0.48 |
| SE | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 1.05 (0.07–16.7) | 0.97 | 1.01 (0.06–16.1) | 1.00 |
| CV death | 0.6 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 1.35 (0.50–3.61) | 0.55 | 1.01 (0.35–2.96) | 0.99 |

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Peri-procedural outcomes subgroup analysis: major bleeding by type of surgery

Similar risk of bleeding within each surgery type; no significant interaction between surgery type and treatment

| | % patients (n/N) | | | D110 vs warfarin | | D150 vs warfarin | |
|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|---------------------|---------|---------------------|---------|
| | D110 | D150 | Warfarin | RR (95% CI) | P value | RR (95% CI) | P value |
| Urgent surgery | 17.8 (19/107) | 17.7 (25/141) | 21.6 (24/111) | 0.82 (0.48–1.41) | 0.47 | 0.82 (0.50–1.35) | 0.43 |
| Elective surgery | 2.8 (38/1380) | 3.8 (53/1405) | 3.3 (48/1447) | 0.83 (0.55–1.26) | 0.38 | 1.14 (0.77–1.67) | 0.51 |
| P (interaction) | | | | | 0.90 | | 0.31 |
| Major surgery | 6.1 (29/473) | 6.5 (33/511) | 7.8 (39/498) | 0.78 (0.49–1.24) | 0.30 | 0.82 (0.53–1.29) | 0.40 |
| Minor surgery | 1.9 (8/424) | 3.2 (14/435) | 1.8 (8/436) | 1.03 (0.39–2.71) | 0.96 | 1.75 (0.74–4.14) | 0.19 |
| P (interaction) | | | | | 0.61 | | 0.13 |

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Peri-procedural outcomes subgroup analysis: major bleeding by timing of anticoagulation interruption

Significantly lower rate of bleeding with dabigatran (both doses) for patients undergoing surgery within 48 hours of anticoagulation interruption

| | % patients (n/N) | | | D110 vs warfarin | | D150 vs warfarin | |
|-----------|------------------|-----------------|------------------|---------------------|------------|---------------------|------------|
| | D110 | D150 | Warfarin | RR (95% CI) | P value | RR (95% CI) | P value |
| <24 hrs | 2.8 (5/180) | 6.8 (13/192) | 15.4 (12/78) | 0.18 (0.07–0.50) | <0.001 | 0.44 (0.21–0.92) | 0.027 |
| 24–48 hrs | 3.2 (16/505) | 3.3 (17/520) | 9.0 (8/89) | 0.35 (0.16–0.80) | 0.01 | 0.36 (0.16–0.82) | 0.01 |
| 48–72 hrs | 4.5 (14/310) | 4.5 (14/309) | 5.7 (7/122) | 0.79 (0.33–1.90) | 0.60 | 0.79 (0.33–1.91) | 0.60 |
| >72 hrs | 4.7 (21/451) | 6.2 (29/468) | 3.6 (45/1237) | 1.28 (0.77–2.12) | 0.34 | 1.70 (1.08–2.68) | 0.02 |
| P-trend | | | | 0.002 | | 0.001 | |

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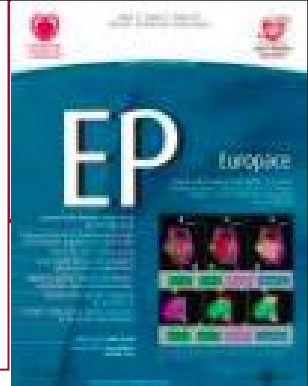


Anticoagulation reversal in the era of the non-vitamin K oral anticoagulants

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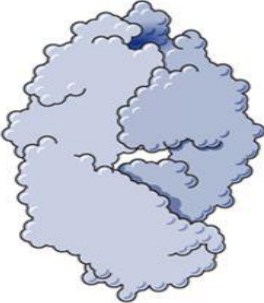

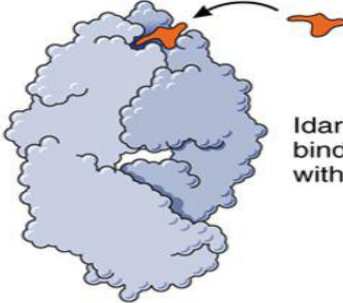

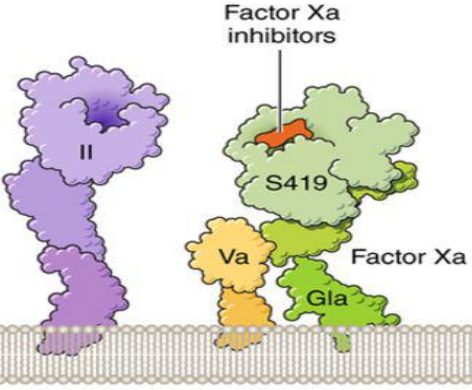
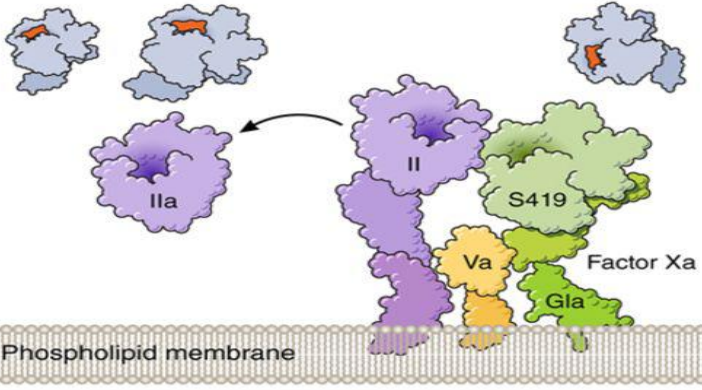
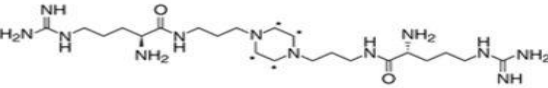
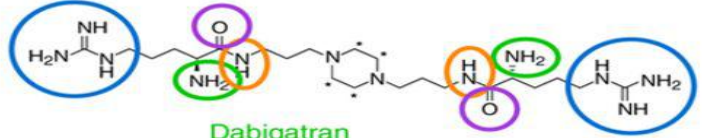


Quando?

- emorragia maggiore
- emergenze chirurgiche
- procedure diagnostiche invasive in urgenza

DOACs: Antidoti

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| NOAC reversal agent | Target | Mechanism |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|  <p>Idarucizumab</p> |  <p>Dabigatran</p> |  <p>Idarucizumab binds Dabigatran with high affinity</p> |
|  <p>A419 Andexanet alpha</p> |  <p>Factor Xa inhibitors II S419 Va Gla Factor Xa Phospholipid membrane</p> |  <p>Phospholipid membrane</p> |
|  <p>Ciraparantag (PER977)</p> | <p>Apixaban Argatroban Edoxaban Dabigatran Rivaroxaban UFH LMWH Fondaparinux</p> |  <p>Edoxaban Dabigatran Rivaroxaban Apixaban Argatroban UFH/LMWH Fondaparinux Dabigatran Rivaroxaban Apixaban Argatroban UFH/LMWH Fondaparinux</p> <p>Computer-aided energy minimization modeling predicts 8 non-covalent binding sites on ciraparantag for NOACs or heparins</p> |

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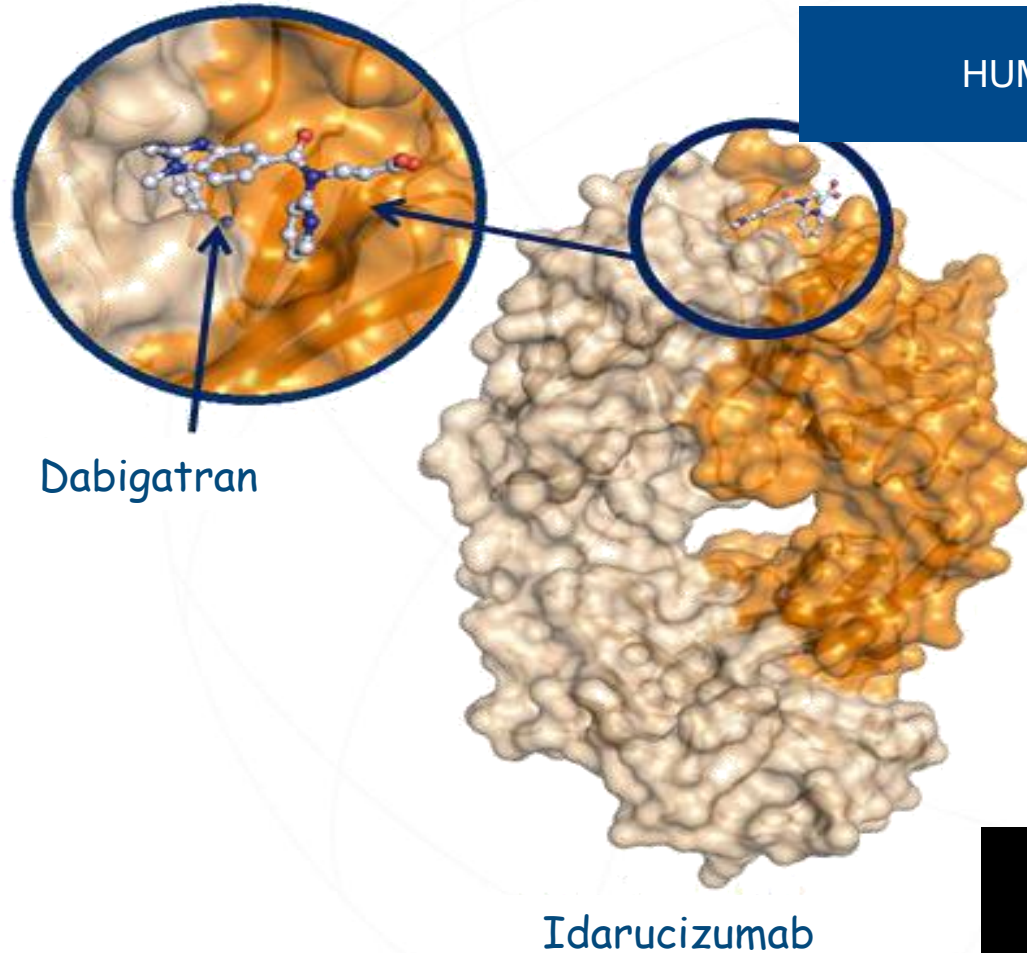
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Idarucizumab for Dabigatran Reversal

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- Studio prospettico, ha indagato la capacità di 5 gr ev di Idarucizumab di ripristinare la coagulazione in pazienti in trattamento con Dabigatran, che presentavano sanguinamenti pericolosi per la vita (gruppo A) o che dovevano essere sottoposti a procedure urgenti (gruppo B).
- Endpoint primario: la percentuale di antagonizzazione dell'attività anticoagulante di Dabigatran entro 4 ore dalla somministrazione dell'antidoto sulla base della misurazione del tempo di trombina diluito e dell'ecarin clotting time.
- Endpoint secondario: tempo di cessazione al sanguinamento, emostasi intraoperatoria normale.

Idarucizumab for Dabigatran Reversal

Idarucizumab reverses the anticoagulant effects of dabigatran in patients in an emergency setting of major bleeding, urgent surgery, or interventions



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EPAR summary for the public

20 novembre 2015

What is Praxbind and what is it used for?

Praxbind is a medicine used to neutralise the effects of dabigatran (the active substance of Pradaxa), a medicine that treats and prevents blood clots. Praxbind is used to rapidly stop the anticlotting effect of dabigatran, before emergency surgery or in case of life-threatening bleeding.

Praxbind contains the active substance idarucizumab.

Infuse intravenously



The complete 5 g dose should be given as two consecutive intravenous **infusions** over 5–10 minutes each



Su 36 pazienti nel gruppo B, sottoposti a procedure, una normale emostasi intraoperatoria era riportata in 33 soggetti.

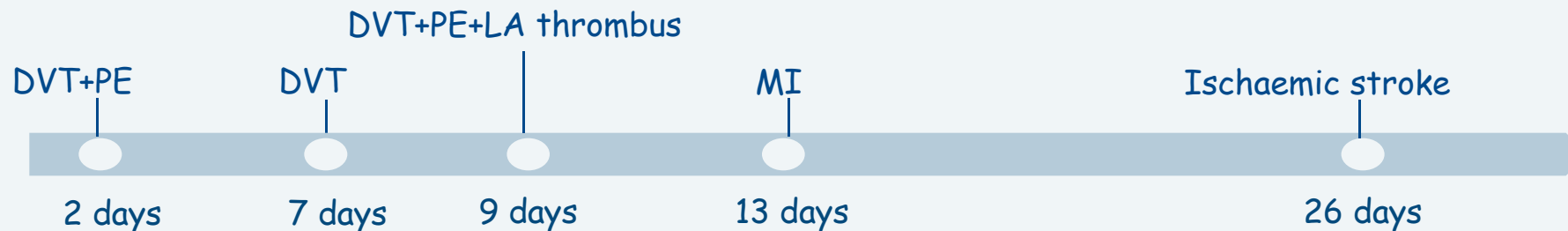
In pratica, dopo 4 e 12 ore, gli esami di laboratorio hanno riportato livelli normali di coagulazione in quasi il 90% dei pazienti.

RE-VERSE AD™: SAFETY

➡ No cases of hypersensitivity observed

➡ 5 thrombotic events

- 1 early event (DVT+PE) 2 days after idarucizumab administration
- 4 events after >6 days of idarucizumab administration



- None of these 5 patients were receiving any antithrombotic therapy when the events occurred

➡ 18 deaths (9 in each Group)

- RE-VERSE AD™ allows even severely ill patients into the study
- All deaths related to presenting index event and comorbidities

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| | Low risk | High risk | Low risk | High risk |
| CrCl ≥ 80 mL/min | ≥ 24 h | ≥ 48 h | ≥ 24 h | ≥ 48 h |
| CrCl 50–80 mL/min | ≥ 36 h | ≥ 72 h | ≥ 24 h | ≥ 48 h |
| CrCl 30–50 mL/min ^a | ≥ 48 h | ≥ 96 h | ≥ 24 h | ≥ 48 h |
| CrCl 15–30 mL/min ^a | Not indicated | Not indicated | ≥ 36 h | ≥ 48 h |
| CrCl < 15 mL/min | No official indication for use | | | |
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- Most patients taking NOACs can safely undergo surgical procedures with a 24- to 48-hour pre-procedure hold.
- Longer hold times may be necessary for patients taking dabigatran who have chronic kidney disease. No bridging heparin is needed for NOAC-treated patients.
- Resume full-dose NOAC within 72 hours post-procedure, once the bleeding risk is appropriate

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<https://noacguide.com/procedure-advisor/>

Overall recommendations:

- For procedures with low bleeding risk, stop 2-3 half-lives before procedure (1-2 days)
- For procedures with high bleeding risk, stop 4-5 half-lives before procedure (2-3 days, longer with dabigatran and CrCl <50)
- Consider checking coagulation level (aPTT for dabigatran, PT for rivaroxaban) prior to procedure
- For procedures with complete immediate hemostasis, anticoagulation can be resumed 6-8 hours after intervention. For many interventions, full dose anticoagulation within 48-72 hours may increase bleeding complications.
- For each patient assess the risk and benefit of bleed vs. stroke from atrial fibrillation

- **Specific Procedure recommendations**
- **Cardioversion:** Each of three trials of novel drugs had several hundred patients undergoing electric cardioversion on novel drugs with comparable outcome compared to warfarin. More data would be helpful, and in meantime same guidelines as with warfarin reasonable – three weeks pretreatment with ≤ 1 missed dose, TEE if concerned over high risk of thromboembolism. Continue for 4 weeks post cardioversion.
- **Cardiac Catheterization:** These are general recommendations however prior to a cardiac catheterization, the recommendations of the physician performing the procedure which will take patient specific considerations into account, should be confirmed.
- Femoral Cases: For daily and BID drugs, skip 2 doses (this can be modified depending on stroke and bleeding risk)
Post-procedure:
 - * If no hematoma, start medications the day after your procedure
 - * If hematoma, start medication 48 hours after
- Radial Cases: Hold dose day of procedure
 - Restart day after the procedure

Pacemaker/Defibrillator Implantation: (reference: Birnie DH, Healey JS et al. Circulation 2014)

Table. Suggested Period of NOAC Interruption Before Device Surgery

| Renal Function (CrCl), mL/min | Dabigatran, h | Apixaban, h | Rivaroxaban, h |
|-------------------------------|---------------|-------------|----------------|
| ≥80 | >24 | >24 | >24 |
| ≥50–<80 | >36 | >24 | >24 |
| ≥30–<50 | >48 | >24 | >24 |

CrCl indicates creatinine clearance; and NOAC, new oral anticoagulant.

- **Atrial fibrillation ablation:** (reference: Knight BP, Estes NA et al 2014)
- *Pre-procedure:* 3 weeks of oral anticoagulation prior to the procedure. When 3 weeks cannot be completed, consider TEE prior to ablation.
- *Peri-procedure:* For patients taking warfarin, continuous warfarin is recommended with goal INR 2.0-3.0. For novel agents, switching the patient to warfarin is not necessary as dabigatran and rivaroxaban have been compared to warfarin in this setting with most (but not all) studies showing comparable outcomes. Until more data are available, we suggest stopping the drug 24 to 36 hours prior to the procedure depending on drug half-life and patient risk.
- *Post-procedure:* For warfarin, continuous warfarin is recommended. For novel anticoagulants, wait to restart for at least 6 hours after sheath removal. The time of restart will depend on complications during the procedure and the risk of the patient.

- **Surgery**

- **Spinal/Epidural anesthesia and surgical procedures:** Heidbuchel 2013

- Dabigatran should be discontinued for 1-2 days ($\text{CrCl} \geq 50 \text{ ml/min}$) or 3-5 days ($\text{CrCl} < 50 \text{ ml/min}$) before invasive or surgical procedures. Consider longer times (>5 days) for patients undergoing major surgery, spinal puncture, or placement of a spinal or epidural catheter or port in whom complete hemostasis may be required, and $\text{CrCl} < 30 \text{ ml/min}$.
- If anticoagulation must be discontinued to reduce the risk of bleeding with surgical procedures, rivaroxaban should be stopped at least 24 hours before the procedure. Rivaroxaban should be restarted after the surgical procedure as soon as adequate hemostasis has been established.
- The next rivaroxaban dose is not to be administered earlier than 48 hours after the removal of an epidural catheter.

- **Colonoscopy**

- Medium risk procedure: stop drug 24 hours prior to procedure, have colonoscopy, and resume that night if no polypectomy and 24-48 hours after hemostasis if polypectomy.

EXAMPLE of a "Serious Bleeding on NOAC PROTOCOL"

General Measures

- mechanical compression if possible
- two sites of IV access
- determine timing of last NOAC dose
- CBC, BUN, Creatinine, liver enzymes
- plasma expanders/PRBC's as necessary
- consider activated charcoal if NOAC ingestion <2hours
- notify on-call hematologist
- Refer to chart below for specific measures

| NOAC | Blood tests for NOAC presence or effect | Specific Antidote | Alternative Treatments Options |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Dabigatran | PTT, TT | Idarucizumab 5 grams IV (2 infusions of 2.5 grams) | 4 Factor PCC (<i>Kcentra</i> ®) 50 IU/kg IV Factor VIIa 90µg/kg IV every 2 hours Tranexamic acid 15-30 mg/kg IV Hemodialysis |
| Rivaroxaban | Anti-Factor Xa | Unavailable in the U.S. | 4 Factor PCC (<i>Kcentra</i> ®) 50 IU/kg IV Factor VIIa 90µg/kg IV every 2 hours Tranexamic acid 15-30 mg/kg IV |
| Apixaban | Anti-Factor Xa | Unavailable in the U.S. | PCC (<i>Kcentra</i> ®) 50 IU/kg IV Factor VIIa 90µg/kg IV every 2 hours Tranexamic acid 15-30 mg/kg IV |
| Edoxaban | Anti-Factor Xa | Unavailable in the U.S. | PCC (<i>Kcentra</i> ®) 50 IU/kg IV Factor VIIa 90µg/kg IV every 2 hours Tranexamic acid 15-30 mg/kg IV |
| TT = thrombin time, PTT = partial thromboplastin time, PCC = prothrombin complex concentrate | | | |

Management of Patients on Non-Vitamin K Antagonist Oral Anticoagulants in the Acute Care and Periprocedural Setting

A Scientific Statement From the American Heart Association

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ACIDO TRANEXAMICO

15 mg/kg x 3 volte al giorno fino al controllo dell'emorragia

Riduce la **mortalità** in pz con emorragia da trauma

[CRASH-2 trial collaborators 2010] CRASH-2 trial collaborators. Effects of tranexamic acid on death, vascular occlusive events, and blood transfusion in trauma patients with significant haemorrhage (CRASH-2): a randomised, placebo-controlled trial. *Lancet* 2010; 376: 23–32

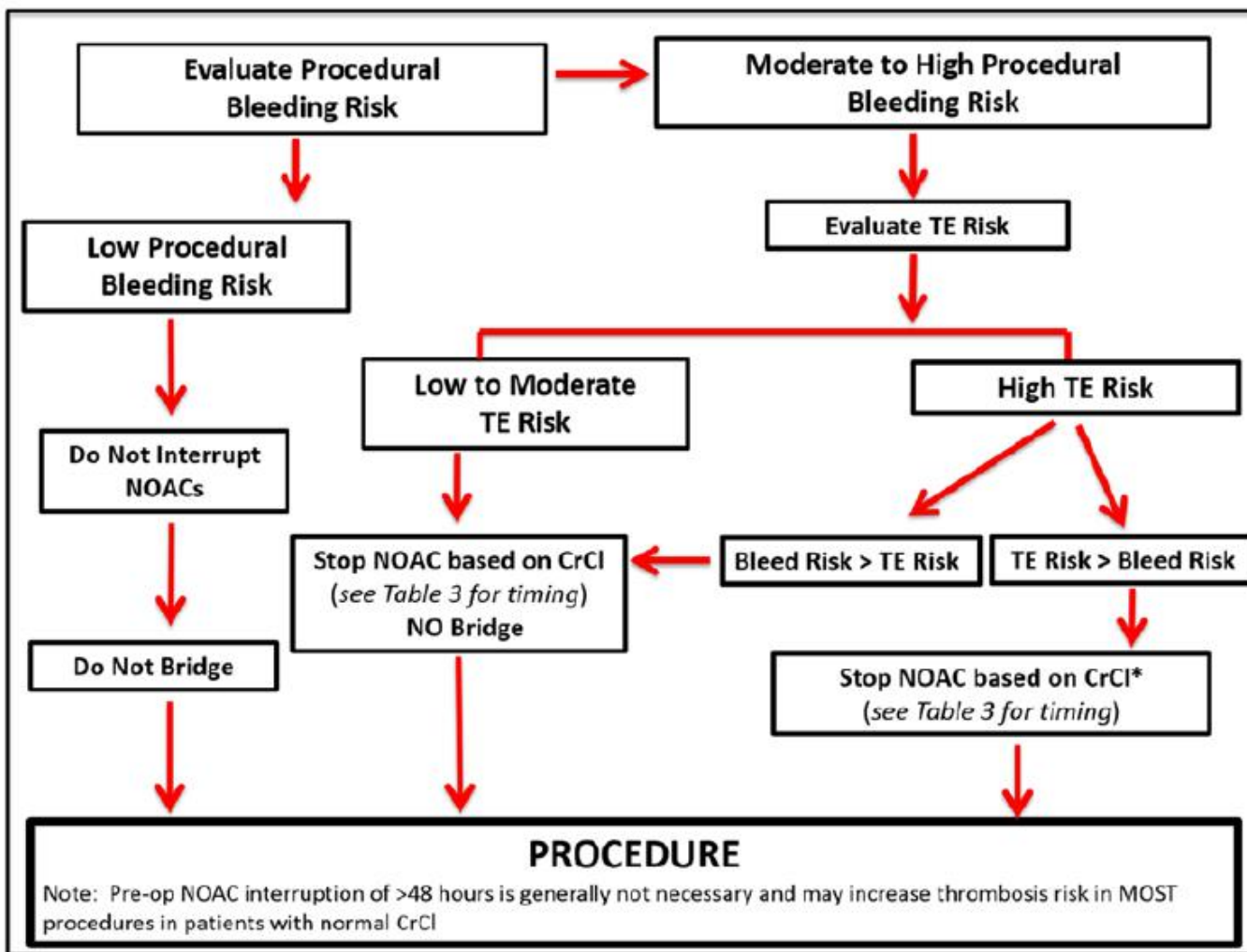
Riduce le **perdite ematiche** in pz sottoposti ad interventi chirurgici

[Ker K 2013] Ker K, Prieto-Merino D, Roberts I. Systematic review, meta-analysis and meta-regression of the effect of tranexamic acid on surgical blood loss. *Br J Surg* 2013;100:1271–9

Sconsigliato in

- *Ematuria (idronefrosi da ostruzione ureterale per coaguli)*
- ***Emorragia cerebrale***
- *(possibile incremento di eventi ischemici)*

[Baharoglu MI 2013]. Baharoglu MI et al. Anti-fibrinolytic therapy for aneurysmal subarachnoid haemorrhage. *Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews* 2013, Issue 8. Art. No.: CD001245



| Peri-Procedural Bleeding Risk | | |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|
| Low | Moderate | High |
| Minor Dental | SVT ablation | Cardiovascular/Thoracic Surgery |
| Minor Dermatologic | ICD Implant | Intra-abdominal/Pelvic surgery |
| Ophthalmologic | Endoscopy with Biopsy | Major Orthopedic Surgery |
| Endoscopy without Biopsy | Prostate Biopsy | Neurosurgery |
| | Cardiac catheterization via radial artery | Cardiac catheterization via femoral artery |

| Peri-Procedural Thromboembolic Risk | |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Low | Moderate to High |
| CHA ₂ DS ₂ VASc ≤ 1 | CHA ₂ DS ₂ VASc > 2 |
| No Stroke/TIA, VTE within 3 months | Stroke/TIA, VTE within 3 months |
| Heterozygous Factor V Leiden Heterozygous PT gene mutation | Protein C or S Deficiency Antithrombin Deficiency Antiphospholipid Syndrome |

Figure 3. Peri-procedural management of patients on NOACs (non-vitamin K antagonist oral anticoagulants). CrCl indicates creatinine clearance; ICD, implantable cardioverter-defibrillator; PT, prothrombin time; SVT, supraventricular tachycardia; TE, thromboembolic event; TIA, transient ischemic attack; and VTE, venous thromboembolism. *Bridging may be considered in patients with a history of systemic embolus in the last 6 weeks.^{110a}

AHA SCIENTIFIC STATEMENT

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Updated European Heart Rhythm Association Practical Guide on the use of non-vitamin K antagonist anticoagulants in patients with non-valvular atrial fibrillation

Bleeding while using a NOAC

- Inquire about last NOAC intake
- Blood sample to determine creatinine (clearance), hemoglobin and WBC
- Inquire lab on possibility for rapid coagulation assessment

Mild bleeding

- Delay or discontinue next dose
- Reconsider concomitant medication

Moderate severe bleeding

- Supportive measures :
- mechanical compression
 - endoscopic hemostasis if gastro-intestinal bleed
 - surgical hemostasis
 - fluid replacement (colloids if needed)
 - RBC substitution if needed
 - fresh frozen plasma (as plasma expander)
 - platelet substitution (if platelet count $\leq 60 \times 10^9/L$)

- For dabigatran:
- maintain adequate diuresis
 - consider hemodialysis
 - consider idarucizumab 5g IV (approval pending)
 - (charcoal haemoperfusion?)

Life-threatening bleeding

- Consider:
- PCC (e.g. CoFact®) 50 U/kg; +25 U/kg if indicated
 - aPCC (Feiba®) 50 U/kg; max 200 U/kg/day
 - ((rFVIIa (NovoSeven®) 90 µg/kg no data about additional benefit))
 - For dabigatran-treated patients: idarucizumab 5g IV (approval pending)

GESTIONE SANGUINAMENTO IN NAO

- Sospettare sanguinamento anche se non evidente
- VALUTARE SEDE

SANGUINAM- IN SEDE CRITICA (es. Intracranica e intraspinale, intraoculare, pericardica, retroperit., s. compartim.)

• **NAO: vedi** **APPARATO GE, TRAUMA** (considerare aspetti specifici nella gestione emorr.)

• **Valutazione clinica** (ABCD, parametri vitali, Caratteristiche del pz, Età, comorbidità,

• **ES LABORATORIO** (coagulazione, funzione renale, EGA, Hb,..) ev. Attività NAO

• **Evoluzione emorr** : Andamento emorr, efficacia compenso, possibilità controllo emostasi
Monitorare e **PREVEDERE** evoluzione emorr (Ecografia, parametri, clinica)

SANGUINAMENTO MINORE(*)

- Sospendere/ritardare NAO
- (Compressione meccanica)
- monitorare condiz. emodinamiche
- Valutare terapie concomitanti

SANGUINAM MODERATO/SEVERO O CLINICAM. SIGNIFICATIVO (**)

- Carbone vegetale se ingest < 2h
- Adeguata idratazione
- Misure emostatiche locali
- Interventi (emostasi endoscopica, o chirurgica trattamento endoscopico, radiol interventistica,..)
- Somministrare liquidi
- Trasfusione GR se necessario
PP se $\leq 60 \times 10^9/L$,
- Ac. Tranexamico

Pazienti trattati con **DABIGATRAN**

- Idarucizumab 5 g IV (se disponibile)
- Idratazione e mantenimento adeguata diuresi
- Eventuale emodialisi

SANGUINAMENTO MAGGIORE (°)

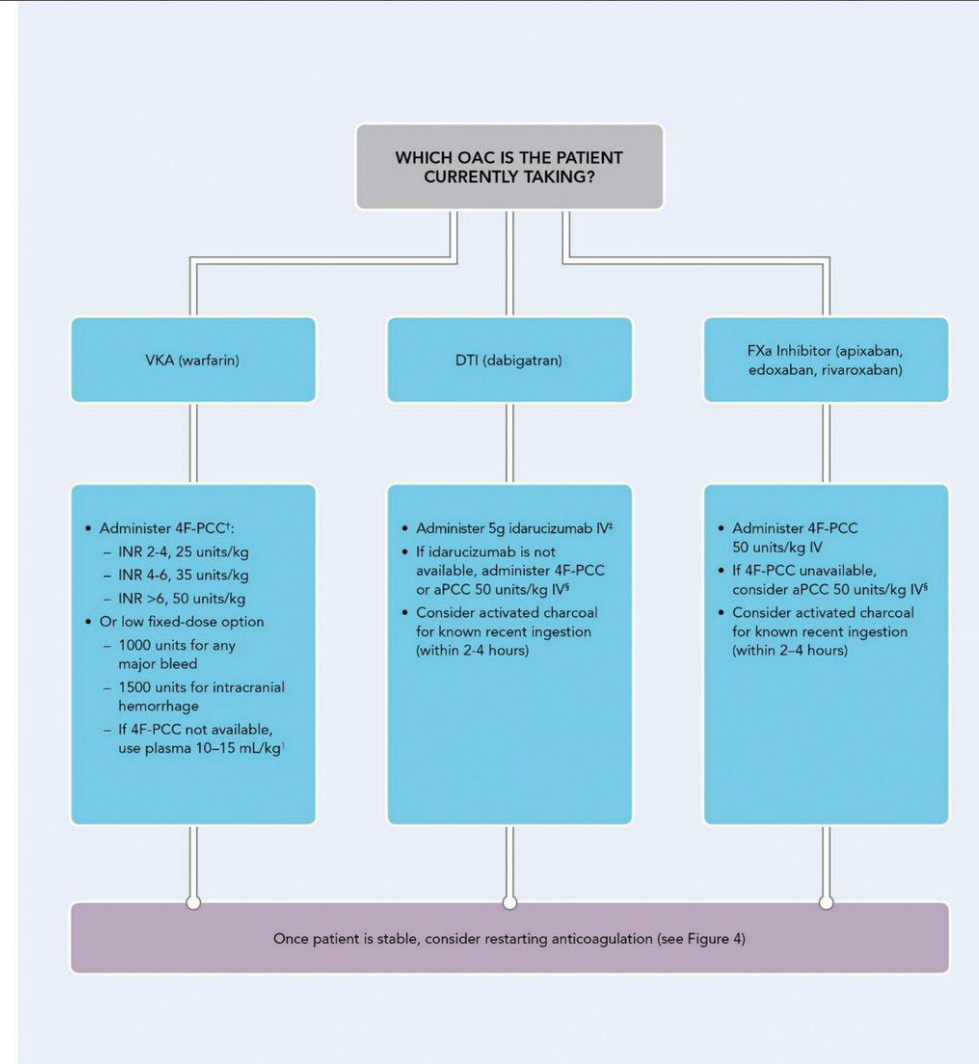
Per tutti i NAO considerare:

- PCC III o IV 50 U/kg
+ 25 U/kg se indicato
- aPCC 50 U/kg; max 200U/kg/day
- Ac. Tranexamico

(*) No trasfusione, stabilità emodinamica

(**) _emorr ext non controllabile con procedure convenzionali; < 4 concentrati emazie stabilità emodin. / aum. f.c./ valutazione volemica con eco, lattati,..

(°) ≥ 4 concentrati emazie instabilità emodinamica PAS < 90 mmHg o riduz > 40 mmHg rispetto all'usuale o PAM < 65 mmHg



4F-PCC = four-factor prothrombin complex concentrate; aPCC = activated prothrombin complex concentrate; DOAC = direct oral anticoagulant; DTI = direct thrombin inhibitor; FXa = Factor Xa; INR = international normalized ratio; IV = intravenous; OAC = oral anticoagulant, including DOACs and VKAs; PCCs = prothrombin complex concentrates; VitK = vitamin K; VKA = Vitamin K antagonist.

*Reversal agents include replenition strategies such as PCCs, plasma, VitK, and specific reversal agents for DOACs (e.g., idarucizumab for dabigatran).

† When PCCs are used to reverse VKAs, VitK should also always be given (see Figure 2 for dosing guidance).

‡ If bleeding persists after reversal and there is laboratory evidence of a persistent dabigatran effect, or if there is concern for a persistent anticoagulant effect before a second invasive procedure, a second dose of idarucizumab may be reasonable.

§ Refer to prescribing information for max units.

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